

Wigston Urban District Council



ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

for the year 1970.

Incorporating a report on the
sanitary circumstances of the
District prepared by
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Area in acres	3,416	Number of houses occupied	9,455
Rateable value at 1st April, 1970	£1,265,824	Additional occupied houses combined with shops	109
Sum represented by penny rate	£5,395	Number of houses owned by the Council	1,404
Population (mid 1970)	28,810		

BIRTHS

Live Births - Legitimate

Male	294
Female	263
Total	557

Illegitimate

Male	11
Female	10
Total	21

Total live births

Male	305
Female	273
Total	578

Stillbirths

Male	3
Female	2
Total	5

Birth rate per 1,000 estimated population ... 20.1

DEATHS

Deaths

All causes

Male	115
Female	105
Total	220

Deaths of infants under one year

Male	5
Female	8
Total	13

Deaths of infants under one week of age

Male	4
Female	3
Total	7

Death rate per 1,000 estimated population ... 7.6

Infant mortality per 1,000 live births 22

Causes of deaths - year ending 31st December, 1970

Registrar General's Classification	Male	Female	Total
Enteritis & other Diarrhoeal Diseases	1	-	1
Other Infective & Parasitic Diseases	-	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity	2	-	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	1	1	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	3	4	7
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	10	1	11
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	11	11
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	2	2
Leukaemia	-	1	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	9	4	13
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	-	1	1
Diabetes Mellitus	-	2	2
Other diseases of nervous system	1	-	1
Chronic rheumatic heart disease	-	4	4
Hypertensive disease	1	-	1
Ischaemic heart disease	36	22	58
Other forms of heart disease	4	6	10
Cerebrovascular disease	14	19	33
Other diseases of circulatory system	2	2	4
Influenza	2	2	4
Pneumonia	10	9	19
Bronchitis and emphysema	10	3	13
Other diseases of respiratory system	-	1	1
Peptic ulcer	2	-	2
Other diseases of digestive system	1	2	3
Congenital anomalies	2	3	5
Birth injury, difficult labour	-	3	3
Other causes of perinatal mortality	2	-	2
Motor vehicle accidents	1	-	1
All other accidents	1	-	1
All other external causes	-	1	1
TOTALS	115	105	220

INFECTIOUS DISEASES

TUBERCULOSIS

There were no deaths from this disease during 1970.

Three new cases of pulmonary tuberculosis came to notice and one case of the non-pulmonary disease.

OTHER NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

The following cases were notified:-

Scarlet fever	5
Measles	263
Infective hepatitis	6
Meningococcal infection	4
Food poisoning	2

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACTS

No formal action was necessary during 1970.

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A REPORT
ON THE SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES
OF THE WIGSTON URBAN DISTRICT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1970

H. DEAMER, M.A.P.H.I.

Chief Public Health Inspector
and Cleansing Superintendent.

1. WATER SUPPLY

Water is supplied to the urban district by the Leicester Water Department. Fluoridation is not practiced and the water possesses neither excess hardness nor plumbo solvency. The quality and quantity of the supply have been satisfactory. A limited number of complaints of rust discolouration of the water were received during the year. One particularly bad area being the cul de sac Brecon Close, South Wigston. These conditions were quickly dealt with by the water undertakers flushing the mains in the affected areas, but I consider more effectual action should be taken by the water undertakers in view of the staining and damage to fabrics etc. caused by the extraneous matter in the water and the repugnance roused in the consumer.

Of the 28,130 persons living in the 9,943 houses in the district, all but four persons have an internal mains supply. These four are in two isolated farm houses with a well water supply.

Examination of Water

(a) Mains Water

Thirty nine samples taken for bacteriological examination were all reported satisfactory.

(b) Well Water

Two samples of well water taken for bacteriological examination after filtration by a household candle type filter were reported satisfactory.

(c) Swimming Bath Water

Swimming Pool		
No. of samples	Coliform organisms	Colonies per mil. (plate)
22	Nil	None
13	Nil	1 to 10
3	Nil	11 to 20
1	Nil	21 to 30
39	-	-

These results are very satisfactory.

The sample is incubated at blood heat and the bacterial content determined (plate count). Samples are also examined for the presence of coliform organisms (the faecal type of which are indicative of excremental pollution). The standard required is that no sample should contain coliform organisms in 100 millilitres while in 75% of the samples taken the plate count should not exceed 10 per millilitre. In the remaining 25% of samples, counts as high as 100 per millilitre can be regarded as satisfactory.

None of the samples taken contained organisms and in approximately 90% the plate count did not exceed 10 per millilitre.

2. SEWERAGE AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

Every part of the urban district is sewered with the exception of the east part and Kilby Bridge area.

Consequently only 46 dwellings are not drained into public sewers and more than half of these have water closets drained to septic tanks and filters or cesspools.

The storm and foul sewers have been extended as housing estates have developed, the capacity of storm sewers has been increased to alleviate flooding off Station Road etc. and work is in progress on the new storm trunk sewer from the River Sence along Orange Street and Countesthorpe Road to Blaby Road.

3. CESSPOOLS AND CLOSETS

It is estimated that there are 11,981 water closets in the district. There are 19 cesspools and 12 septic tank and filter plants at private premises.

4. OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963 AND SHOPS ACT, 1950

The purport of both these Acts is to secure the health, safety and welfare of persons employed to work in offices or shops and in certain railway premises. Premises to which certain provisions do not apply are those where the occupier or certain close relatives are the only persons employed.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act.

Premises	Number Registered	Inspections	Accidents Reported	Contraventions	
				Found	Romedied
Offices	38	6	-	13	15
Shops	157	114	-	91	124
Wholesale Shops	9	6	2	-	-
Catering Establishments	16	16	-	-	-
	220	142	2	104	139

Analysis of Contraventions

Contravention	Found	Remedied
Cleanliness	18	31
Temperature	8	10
Ventilation	3	3
Lighting	3	3
Sanitary Conveniences	35	53
Washing Facilities	3	4
Sitting Facilities	4	4
Eating Facilities	2	1
Floors, Passages, Stairs.	6	7
First Aid Equipment	5	4
Other Matters	17	19
	104	139

Two non-fatal accidents were reported. Both were at warehouses. One was caused by the injured person climbing up storage racks instead of using the ladder provided. He fractured his ankle. The second accident arose during the loading by four men of a roll of linoleum. This fell from a height of 2' 6" and bruised the leg of one of the men.

SHOPS ACT.

Inspections

92

These figures relate specifically to inspections made under the Shops Act, 1950. Inspections made during visits under the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963, are not recorded as separate visits.

ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS

Contravention	Found	Remedied
Evening Closing	4	4
Half Day Trading	3	3
Half Day Closing	7	8
Sunday Trading	4	3
Young Persons Employment	1	1
Assistant Half Holiday	5	6
Posting of Abstract	1	-
	25	25

5. REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

The Council, through the Health Department provide and maintain refuse receptacles at approximately 50% of the dwellings in the district. Approximately 2,900 private houses are provided with bins under a loan bin scheme, at a charge of 30p (6/-) per bin per annum. All bins sold or loaned by the Council are now made of polyethylene which has reduced noise during use and emptying. The plan to construct a refuse incineration plant at Whetstone to serve Wigston, Blaby and part of the City of Leicester had reached tender stage at the end of the year. An alternative scheme of disposal is being considered along with that of incineration, the principal being to compact the refuse into bulk loaders at a central transfer station and dispose of it by controlled tipping at brick clay pits in Bedfordshire.

The last of the fore and aft tipping vehicles has been dispensed with and the fleet now consists of 2 - 35 cu. yd. and 3 - 50 cu. yd. compression vehicles.

A satisfactory collection cycle has been maintained, assisted by relatively good weather and stable collection staff. The incentive bonus scheme and recent wage award has helped to prevent a large scale turnover in workmen.

Periods between collections

January 1st to December 31st, 1970

No. of Times Cycle Achieved				
Collection Cycle in Days	Wigston Fields Gang	South Gang	Meres Gang	Trade Gang
7	38	39	30	43
7 $\frac{1}{4}$	2	2	5	
7 $\frac{1}{2}$	2	3	2	
7 $\frac{3}{4}$	1	-	-	
8	2	2	3	
8 $\frac{1}{4}$	-	-	1	
8 $\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	3	
8 $\frac{3}{4}$	1	1	-	
9	-	1	-	
9 $\frac{3}{4}$	-	1	-	
10 $\frac{1}{2}$	1	-	-	
10 $\frac{3}{4}$	-	-	1	
11 $\frac{1}{4}$	-	-	1	
12	-	-	1	
14	-	-	-	4
15	-	1	1	

6. TRADE REFUSE

Five men and a vehicle are employed full time in the work of trade refuse collection. One bin per week is emptied free of charge at business premises, the remaining trade refuse being removed at a charge of 75p(15/-) per bin per quarter or £1.50p(30/-) per vehicular hour. Special collections of refuse from dwelling houses are charged at the latter rate.

Special collections of bulky refuse were made from 103 dwelling houses etc.

Chargeable trade refuse is removed weekly from over 150 business premises.

Income from

Year ending 31st March

Income from Trade
Refuse Collection

£.

1970	2545
1969	2381
1968	2083
1967	1880
1966	1596
1965	1417
1964	1262
1963	1142
1962	940

7. SALVAGE

During the year ending 31st March 1971, 149 tons of paper and card were sold for £1,002 - 1 - 1d.

8. CIVIC AMENITIES ACT, 1967

ABANDONED CARS

Twenty one cars abandoned or "over parked" on Council owned car parks and nineteen cars abandoned on other sites were dealt with during the year. Approximately 50% were non-runners or wrecks. Twenty informal notices and six section 20 notices were served. Twenty seven cars were removed by the owners and ten by the local authority.

Thanks are due to the County Council Motor Taxation Department for help in tracing the owners of abandoned cars.

9. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

1167 complaints were received.
238 concerned infestations by rats and/or mice
416 concerned defective dustbins
513 concerning public health and housing matters

1225 premises were visited concerning nuisances and defects.

Visits and Inspections - initial and return

Accumulations	39
Animals kept	2
Animal Boarding Establishments	2
Clean Air Act	22
Caravan Act	2
Civic Amenities Act	200
Disinfection	20
Dirty Premises etc.	29
Drainage	143
Dairies & Milkshops & Milk Regulations	8
Food Premises, Food & Drugs Act	200
Factories Act	63
Housing & Lodging houses	102
Ice - cream sampling	24
Improvement Grants & Qualification Certificates	155

Visits and Inspections - initial and return (continued)

Infectious diseases and food poisoning	19
Interviews - telephone	517
others	264
Meat and Food inspection	164
Milk sampling	6
Market	53
Miscellaneous	559
Nuisances	843
National Assistance Act	-
Noise Act	66
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act	142
Overcrowding	-
Public conveniences	77
Prosecutions	1
Pet Animals Act	1
Rat and Mice Destruction (including visits by Rodent Operator)	1540
Rent Act	1
Rag Flock	2
Refuse collection, disposal and haulage	2984
Slaughterhouse and Knackers Yard	7
Shops Act	47
Schools	2
Water supply	1
Water samples	
Mains	39
Wells	2
Swimming baths	39

Specimens and swabs etc.

Faeces 5

NOTICES

INFORMAL

Housing Public Health

Outstanding 1st January, 1970	Nil	109
Issued during year	Nil	572
Complied with during year	Nil	571
Outstanding 31st December, 1970	Nil	110

STATUTORY

Outstanding 1st January, 1970	0
Issued during year	9
Complied with during year	5
Outstanding 31st December, 1970	4

Regulated buildings

There are two residential caravans permanently situated in the district - one at Crow Mills and one in Cooks Lane. Both sites are licenced and well conducted. There has been no problem during the year arising from itinerant caravan dwellers.

10. PET ANIMALS ACT, 1951

There is one licenced establishment in the district.

11. ANIMAL BOARDING ESTABLISHMENTS

The licenced kennels and cattery in Newton Lane meet a local need for the boarding of cats and dogs, especially at holiday times and the reception of stray dogs picked up by the police.

12. FOOD HYGIENE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS, 1960 and 1966.
FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Premises inspected	Visits made	Contraventions	
		Found	Remedied
Bakehouses	3	-	5
Butchers	11	4	5
Cafes	6	3	1
Canteens, Caterers etc.	21	17	12
Dairy	1	1	-
Fish & Chips & Fishmongers	14	11	6
Flour & Sugar Confectionery Shops	18	5	9
General Grocers	42	20	24
Greengrocers	13	9	11
Licenced Premises	18	8	6
Mobile Shops	1	4	-
Market & Market Stalls	53	34	33
Slaughterhouse	5	2	-
	206	118	112

Unsound food and foreign objects in food

Complaints received and investigated under this heading include:-

1. Plastic toy in a milk bottle
2. Nails in a milk bottle
3. Oily deposit in loaf of bread
4. Maggots in 2 meat pies
5. Mould in 7 packs of processed cheese
6. Mould in a sponge pudding
7. String in a sausage
8. Concrete in a Christmas pudding
9. Sour sausages

Proceedings were instituted in the court in respect of a dirty milk bottle reported in 1969. The supplying dairy were fined £20 -0 -0d under the provisions of The Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations 1959, section (3) & (27).

All the other complaints were thoroughly investigated and informal action taken as in no instance was it considered that the institution of legal proceedings was the best method of dealing with the matter or would be successful.

The Milk (Special Designation) Regulations, 1960/63.

Dairies and Distributors of Milk

	<u>Dairies</u>	<u>Distributors</u>
<u>Number on Register</u>	2	28

Bacteriological milk samples

Pasteurised	4
Sterilized	4

All samples satisfied the prescribed tests.

During the year, I have noted and had reported to me by the operators of dairies, the misuse by the public of glass milk bottles. Apart from many being left unwashed, after emptying by the purchaser, they are fouled by being used as flower vases, measures for petrol and oil and anti-freeze solution, soaking of paint brushes etc. and often contain, cement etc. when abandoned on building sites. A bottle washing machine has not yet been evolved which will clean milk containers returned to the dairies after such misuse.

From my knowledge of the milk industry the dairyman has enough problems, apart from misused milk bottles, which he must face up to in bringing a supply of milk to the consumers house 7 days a week.

I appeal to the householder to treat the ubiquitous but highly necessary and costly milk bottle with the care that it warrants.

Ice - cream

78 premises are registered for the storage and sale of ice - cream - 7 less than last year.

One firm in the district operates a fleet of vehicles retailing soft ice - cream.

24 samples were taken from 4 different manufacturers in addition to 4 ice - lollies.

	<u>Soft</u>	<u>Other</u>	<u>Total</u>
GRADE 1	10	11	21
GRADE 2	1	1	2
GRADE 3	-	1	1
GRADE 4	-	-	0

All the lollies had a Ph. below 7.

Meat and other food inspection

The one licenced slaughterhouse in the district has been conducted in a satisfactory manner during the year.

Disposal of condemned food

The following foods were surrendered, condemned and disposed of by deep burial at the Council's Refuse Tip.

	Cwts.	Qtrs.	Lbs.
Meat at slaughterhouse	4	0	4
Meat at retail shops	-	2	4
Canned meat	-	1	9
Other canned foods	10	0	2
	14	3	19

Carcases Inspected and Condemned

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	262	-	-	1520	314	-
Number inspected	262	-	-	1520	314	-
<u>All Diseases except Tuberculosis</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	39	-	-	47	31	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with diseases other than tuberculosis	14.8%	-	-	3%	10%	-
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	-	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

Knacker Yard

There is one establishment in the district and it has been well conducted.

No contraventions of The Meat (Sterilization) Regulations, 1969 have been recorded at either the knacker yard or pet meat shops.

13. NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

Two outstanding noise nuisances were abated during the year. The noise from a corn grinding machine was reduced by the introduction into the machine air ducts of two silencers ten feet long by eleven inches in diameter, and at a knitwear factory on shift work nuisance to nearby householders was abated by sealing openable windows and installing a system of mechanical ventilation.

119 visits were made in respect of noise from 12 premises, 4 informal notices were served and 5 complied with.

The complaints related to noise from:-

- 1) preparation of cars for stock car racing
- 2) electric generators for temporary lighting during electricity workers strike
- 3) factory fire bell
- 4) dance band
- 5) church bells
- 6) sanding machine
- 7) barking dogs
- 8) house radios, T.V's and neighbours

14. RODENT CONTROL - PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

During the year the Council resolved that wasp nests at domestic premises should be dealt with by the staff of the Health Department. From July to the end of 1970, 39 nests were destroyed.

The Department employs a trained Rodent Operator. The destruction of rats and mice at private dwellings is carried out free of charge but a charge is made in respect of industrial and commercial premises.

All premises and land owned by the Council, and the foul sewers are systematically inspected and treated against rodent and insect infestation.

a) Sewer Baiting

There are approximately 1175 sewer manholes in the district. During the year the sewers were treated, using fluoroacetamide as the poison and pin head oatmeal as the bait base.

b) Surface treatment

Under this heading 1206 inspections were made by the Rodent Operator at 285 properties.

The approximate number of properties to be protected is 10,365.

No. of properties inspected as a result of:

a) Notification	238
b) Survey under the Act etc.	47
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	285

No. of properties found to be infested:

a) Rats	236
b) Mice	50
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	286

15. HOUSING

During the year 5.8 acres of land were purchased by the Council on The Meadows Estate on which will be erected 142 dwellings to provide accommodation for families displaced under the current slum clearance and road improvement schemes.

It is anticipated that re-housing will be effected in 1972.

Inspection of dwelling houses during the year 1970

1. a) Total no. of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts.)	846
b) No. of inspections made for the purpose	1707
2. a) No. of dwelling houses inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidation Regulations 1932 and 1933	63
b) No. of inspections made for the purpose	102
3. No. of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation	68

Removal of unfit houses

Clearance areas represented during year

<u>Area No.</u>		<u>No. of houses</u>
Area 57	Burgess Street/Junction Road	48
Area 58	Frederick Street	5
Area 59	Moat Street	4
Area 60	Bushloe End	4
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		61
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6 fit houses were included in 2 Compulsory Purchase Orders.

Individual unfit houses represented during year

<u>Address</u>	<u>No. of houses</u>
97, Leicester Road	1
99, Leicester Road	1
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	2
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Demolition of unfit houses during year

1. Clearance Areas

<u>Area No.</u>	<u>No. of houses</u>
Area 56 (part) 120 to 124 Bull Head Street and 2, Newton Lane	4

2. Individual unfit houses

<u>Address</u>	<u>No. of houses</u>
94, Leicester Road	1
22 & 24, Welford Road	2
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3. As a result of informal action

<u>Address</u>	<u>No. of houses</u>
26 to 36, Welford Road	6
16, Oadby Road	1
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	7
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Unfit houses made fit and houses in which defects were remedied

After informal action by local authority	130
After formal action by local authority	NIL

New Houses

Houses completed during year by:-

1) Local Authority	NIL
2) Private Enterprise	379

Houses in course of erection at end of year by:-

1) Local Authority	NIL
2) Private Enterprise	204

Houses completed post war

1) Local Authority	1068
2) Private Enterprise	5191

Total number of applications for Council houses at end of year	341
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Applications received during year	133
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Improvement Grants

Housing Act, 1969

The impact of this Act was felt mainly at the latter half of 1970, when applications began to be made to the Council by owners of rent controlled houses for Qualification Certificates and there was a consequent increase in the number of applications for Standard Grants from the owners of rented property.

Standard Grants

No. of applications received	49
From owner/occupiers	31
From owners of rented houses	18
No. approved	42
No. refused	7
No. of properties improved during year	37

Discretionary Improvement Grant

One application was received but had not been approved at the end of the year.

16. FACTORIES

There are 176 factories on the register

a) Inspections

Premises	No. of Inspections	Defects found	Defects remedied	Notices served
Factories with mechanical power	63	22	19	21
Factories without mechanical power	0	0	0	0
	63	22	19	21

b) OUTWORKERS

No. of local firms employing outworkers	21 (23)
No. of local outworkers employed by such firms	120 (130)
No. of outworkers outside district employed by local firms	105 (108)
No. of local outworkers employed by firms outside district	3 (21)
No. of outworkers in district (employed during the 6 months preceeding August, 1970)	123 (151)

* figures in brackets for 1969

The various trades carried on at factories in the urban area are:-

Abrasives manufacturing
 Adhesives and sealer manufacturing
 Agricultural machine repairing
 Baking
 Babywear making
 Bar-fitting and plastic fabricating
 Biscuit manufacturing
 Boot and shoe manufacturing and incidental trades
 Boot and shoe repairing
 Building and joinery
 Carton adaption and repairing
 Concrete batching
 Corset making
 Cycle repairing
 Cotton waste and bobbin recovery
 Dyers and finishers
 Drum and instrument making
 Dress making
 Electrical component making
 Electro plating

Trades in the area (continued):-

Electric vehicle making
Engineering - general
Engineering - light
Engineering - electrical
Football jersey and stocking making
Film laminating
Furniture repairing
Grain drying
Heating Element making
Hosiery making, dyeing and finishing
Iron founding
Jersey fabric making
Knackery
Knitted outerwear making
Laundry
Leather factors and merchants
Loose cover making
Lighting and electronic engineering
Medical supplies distributing
Milk pasteurising
Motor vehicle repair and maintenance
Non-ferrous metal founding
Office machinery manufacturing
Paper baling
Plant hiring
Pattern making
Plastic moulding and colouring
Polystyrene tile colouring
Portable buildings manufacture
Pre-cast concrete manufacture
Printing
Photographic lithographers
Radio and television receiver repairing
Refrigeration engineering
Sausage, meat pie and cooked meat making and preparing
Scaffolding supplying and distributing
Slaughtering
Spring manufacturing
Tailoring
Woodwork and case repairing
Wood last making
Worsted spinning
Wool packing
Waterways maintenance

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Prescribed particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1961.

PART 1

1. INSPECTIONS

Premises	No. on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(1) Factories in which sections 1,2,3,4 & 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities				
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	176	63	21	
(iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)				
Total	176	63	21	

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				No. of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To HM Inspector	By HM Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)					
Overcrowding (S.2)					
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)					
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)					
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)					
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
a) Insufficient					
b) Unsuitable or defective	22	19			
c) Not separate for sexes					
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)					
Total	22	19			

PART V111

Outwork
(Sections 133 & 134)

	No. of out-workers in August list required by S.133(1)c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices served and prosecutions
Wearing Apparel					
Making etc. Cleaning and Washing	94				

17. CLEAN AIR ACT, 1958

Again I am pleased to report that there has been no serious industrial smoke problem in the district and that the number of domestic fireplaces and boilers burning bituminous coal, decline weekly, being replaced with appliances burning smokeless solid fuel and gas.

Four observations of emissions from an industrial chimney were made. 22 visits were made to 7 industrial premises, regarding smoke control and to industrial premises, demolition sites and open ground, where bonfires had been lit.

Three applications for prior approval and the fixing of chimney heights were received and dealt with.

A series of boilers at a large industrial plant were converted from oil to natural gas burning, following problems arising from excessive oily soot emissions.

18. STAFF

The vacant post of Additional Public Health Inspector was advertised in October 1970 at a salary within A.P. 3/4 and subsequently A.P.4. No applications were received.

APPENDIX 'A'

I am indebted to the Engineer and Surveyor to the
Wigston Urban District Council for the following report:

RAINFALL IN 1970

At: Wigston U.D.C. Sewage Disposal Works

In: The County of Leicester

Height of Top above Ground: 8"

Diameter of Gauge: 5"

Height of Ground above Sea Level: 249 feet

National Grid Reference: SP. 5930. 9673

Month	Total Depth	Greatest fall in 24 hours	Number of days with	
			.01 in. or more	.04 in. or more
January	2.09	.30	20	16
February	2.61	.31	20	17
March	1.99	.30	18	16
April	2.85	.45	23	19
May	.64	.43	2	2
June	1.60	.59	9	9
July	2.49	1.07	14	10
August	2.59	1.27	11	10
September	1.16	.43	9	9
October	.81	.51	9	5
November	5.51	.99	21	17
December	1.12	.30	16	8

Totals 25.46

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